



## NANAKULI-MAILI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 36

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2016 NANAIKAPONO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Cynthia Rezentes called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. **Quorum was established with five (5) members present.** Note – This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present:** Karen Awana (arrived at 7:34 p.m.), Polly Grace, Patty Kahanamoku-Teruya, Richard Landford, Maryann Malabey (arrived at 7:28 p.m.), Richard Medeiros, and Cynthia Rezentes.

**Board Members Absent:** Hanalei Aipoalani and Tercia Ku

**Guests:** Major Sean Naito, Corporal Joseph Tabarejo, and Lieutenant Farrel Sojot (Honolulu Police Department); Firefighter Carl Otsuka (Honolulu Fire Department); Director Gary Nakata (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative); Kathy Davenport (Councilmember Kymberly Pine's Office); Senator Maile Shimabukuro and Ed Burke (Senator Maile Shimabukuro's Office); Representative Jo Jordan; Major Kwame Boateng (U.S. Army Garrison Hawaii 65th Brigade Engineering Battalion); Victor Flint (NAVFAF); Deputy Peter Hirai (Emergency Management); Evelyn Souza (Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board No. 34); James Manaku Sr.; Shirley Landford; Rocky Naeole; Stacelynn Eli; Alice Greenwood; Mike and Ann Klein (Nanaikeola Senior Apartments); Delton Kekahu; JoAnna Ramos; Elgin Battles; Warren Hoohuli; Pua; Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai (WVHCA); and Amanda Ehe (Neighborhood Commission Office).

### CITY/STATE MONTHLY REPORTS:

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)** – There was no representative present. A written report was submitted and Chair Rezentes reported the May 2016 fire statistics. There was 1 structure fire, 3 wild land fires, 2 nuisance fires, 2 cooking fires, 1 activated alarm, 113 medical emergencies, 2 motor vehicle collisions with a pedestrian, 4 motor vehicle crashes, and 1 hazardous materials incident. The HFD encourages residents to take the necessary steps to prepare for the hurricane season that runs from June through November.

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD)** – Major Sean Saito introduced himself as the new major of District 8. Lieutenant Sojot reported the May 2016 crime statistics. There were 33 motor vehicle thefts, 47 burglaries, 185 thefts, and 64 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV). There were 7,807 calls for service.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. **Gambling:** Teruya and Landford expressed concern and HPD will follow up on an ongoing problem with a gambling facility that is operating near the Spicy House and also the crime at the Nanaikeola Senior Apartments.
2. **Laws:** Grace asked and HPD responded that there is a fine for obstruction of drivers view and individuals must be older than 12 years to ride in the bed of a truck.
3. **Tracks Beach:** Teruya mentioned safety issues with trucks four-wheeling on the sand at Tracks Beach on weekends.

**Board of Water Supply (BWS)** – No representative was present and no report was provided.

**Military Representative** – Major Kwame Boateng circulated a handout and reported the following:

- **Prescribed Burn:** Major Boateng thanked the community for patience and understanding of the necessary prescribed burn.
- **Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) Exercise:** 25,000 personnel will be participating in RIMPAC June 30, 2016 through August 4, 2016.
- **Makua Cultural Access:** The next scheduled cultural access dates are July 9, 2016 and July 17, 2016.

- Leilehua Concert Series: The free concert series at Leilehua Golf Course continues with Hawaiian Blend performing on Friday, July 29, 2016.
- Noise Concerns: To report a loud or low-flying Army aircraft call 656-3487.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative – Director Gary Nakata for the Department of Community Services (DCS) reported the following:

- Emergency Condition: The HPD reported that decisions regarding “emergency” situations will be determined based on the level of seriousness of the incident and the extent of the obstruction to the road; how long it will take to clear the road to allow cars to flow smoothly; time of day of the incident; the location of the incident. Not every situation will be the same and decisions will be made on a “case to case” basis.
- Emergency Road: Waianae Community Emergency Access Road (WCEAR) cannot be left open as that would violate the agreement with private land owners and findings of the environmental assessment (EA) that states the access road would be closed.
- Shoreline Setback: Proposal 81 on dimensional variances was last heard in the Charter Commission on Friday, June 17, 2016 and deferred by the members.
- Neighborhood Boards: The Honolulu Charter Commission voted not to advance the measure which would end the neighborhood boards.
- Bridge: Deputy Director Ed Sniffen of the Department of Transportation (DOT) shared that weight limits for the bridge were determined by OTS and HPD does not monitor the weight of the vehicles on the bridge while in use.
- Tracks Beach Park: HPD will continue to monitor the area and take necessary action.
- Tesoro: HPD will continue to monitor the area for illegal left turns into the gas station.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Bridge: Teruya mentioned that the bridge was open for the Father's Day weekend regatta.
2. Trucks: Medeiros reported increased storage of trucks on agriculture land.
3. Bus Stop: Lanford requested an update for the bus stop at Sac N Save that was acted on by the Board a few months prior. Resident Alice Greenwood requested protection for the Pacific Mall bus stop. Resident Pua does not want the bus stop fronting Sac N Save relocated.

**At 7:28 p.m. Maryann Malabey arrived; six (6) members were present.**

Councilmember Kymberly Marcos-Pine – Kathy Davenport circulated newsletters and reported the following:

- Budget: The City budget for 2016 has been approved. Funding is included for the Farrington Highway contraflow lane, WCEAR, Leeward Coast parks improvements, and Summer Fun.
- Job Fair: There will be a Hire Leeward job fair Saturday, June 25, 2016.

**At 7:34 p.m. Karen Awana arrived; seven (7) members were present.**

## BOARD BUSINESS

Approval of the May 17, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes – **Teruya moved and Medeiros seconded to approve the May 17, 2016 regular meeting minutes as published. The minutes were APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0 (AYE: Awana, Grace, Teruya, Landford, Malabey, Medeiros, and Rezentes; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Approval of June 21, 2016 Regular Meeting Agenda – **Teruya moved and Medeiros seconded to approve the April 19, 2016 agenda as circulated. The agenda was APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0 (AYE: Awana, Grace, Teruya, Landford, Malabey, Medeiros, and Rezentes; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Treasurer's Report – Chair Rezentes reported a remaining balance of \$52.61. The report was filed.

## Reports of Members Attendance at Other Meetings

- Ahupuaa O Nanakuli: Members Awana, Landford, and Rezentes were in attendance.
- Waianae Neighborhood Board: Awana and Landford were in attendance.

## RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

1. Safety: Greenwood shared that there is a lack of signage to inform the community of the emergency evacuation site at Nanakuli Intermediate School. Greenwood requested the document for the community of blockage by the Naval Ammunition Depot and information on the memorandum for agreement.

2. Park: Resident JoAnna Ramos raised concern and Chair Rezentes referred the request for lights at the basketball court at the park in Sea Country to the Parks Committee.

### OLD BUSINESS

Requested Support of Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Resolution Regarding Traffic and Developments: The resolution was included in the packet of the agenda and minutes and was referred from the Housing Committee. Chair Rezentes shared that the intention of the resolution is to address traffic issues and there were some misinformation's in the resolution. Landford spoke in support of the resolution. Teruya expressed concern that the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) would be affected.

**Rezentes moved and many members seconded for an amendment to the resolution that would exempt DHHL from the conditions of the resolution.**

Greenwood commented that the Board should not alter the resolution from what is published. **Teruya asked and Rezentes agreed to withdraw the amendment.**

Medeiros said the resolution does not state how it will reduce traffic and was concerned residents would lose jobs in construction. Chair Rezentes believes the resolution is meant to send a message as the Board is advisory only. Greenwood expressed that Nanakuli and Waianae do not have the same problems as other areas. Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board Chair Evelyn Souza shared that the resolution is a plea to make City and State officials fix the traffic problem. Davenport stated that Councilmember Pine is opposed to anything that will end jobs and emphasized that there are other options.

**A roll call vote was administered and the motion FAILED, 3-4-0, (AYE: Awana, Landford, and Rezentes; NAY: Grace, Teruya, Malabey, and Medeiros; ABSTAIN: None).**

### NEW BUSINESS

Waianae Coast Emergency Alternative Route (WCEAR): Emergency Management (DEM) Deputy Director Peter Hirai distributed a handout and presented the following:

- Facts: WCEAR was created and designed to provide emergency access to the Leeward coast and is comprised of public and private road ownership that has agreed-upon access limited to disaster evacuations and extreme events. WCEAR is designed as an alternate, not supplemental route.
- Evacuate: An evacuation does not require abandoning the Leeward Coast. There are hurricane shelters abound and valleys are safe from tsunamis.
- Improvements: Talks have been initiated with DOT and the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) to improve emergency signage and inquire with private landowners if they are amendable to more frequent openings.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Evacuate: Grace asked and Deputy Hirai responded that most people evacuate unnecessarily and should reference the evacuation maps in the telephone books. Once an emergency evacuation is announced, residents should evacuate by foot, there is usually no need to get in cars to add to traffic.
2. Keys: Teruya asked and Deputy Hirai answered that there are spare keys for bridge access kept where spare keys for WCEAR are kept.
3. Property: Resident James Manaku Sr. asked and Deputy Hirai clarified that some sections of the WCEAR is on private property and DOT and DTS are working to gain more access to the route.

Nanaikeola Senior Apartments, Inc.: Handouts were available and Mike Klein requested support from the Board to (1) close off the private roadway behind Nanaikeola Senior Apartments; (2) request new signage for Nanaikeola Street; (3) new loading zone on Nanaikeola Street; and (4) re-fence and close off the Nanaikeola Street unpaved bridge. Klein stated that the area has a high crime rate and abandoned cars that contribute to the homeless population in the area. Klein hopes that these precautionary measures will help to protect the seniors he houses.

**Medeiros moved and Teruya seconded to support the four (4) items requested by Klein, (1) closing off private roadway behind Nanaikeola Senior Apartments, Inc.; (2) new signage request for Nanaikeola Street; (3) new loading zone on Nanaikeola Street; and (4) re-fence and close off Nanaikeola Street unpaved bridge.**

Teruya expressed concern for the seniors and the need to clean up the area. Klein commented that the Kaiser clinic nearby has been good for the area. Landford was concerned of unintended consequences of the fencing. Rezentes clarified that Klein would like the Board to send a letter of support to the City for the four (4) requested items. Greenwood, Pua, and Manaku spoke in support of the requested items.

**The motion was adopted by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 7-0-0 (AYE:** Awana, Grace, Teruya, Landford, Malabey, Medeiros, and Rezentes; **NAY:** None; **ABSTAIN:** None). Chair Rezentes requested Teruya's assistance with the drafting of the letter that will be sent to the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP), Mayor Kirk Caldwell, and DCS Director Gary Nakata.

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Governor David Ige's Representative – The Capitol Connections newsletter was available; no representative was present.

Senator Maile Shimabukuro – Senator Shimabukuro introduced two (2) of the volunteers in her office who distributed newsletters while she reported the following:

- Alternate Route: Three (3) options for alternative routes to the west coast were listed – an elevated roadway, a foot path that leads into Kunia, or a path that leads from Lyman's ranch to Makakilo.
- Funding: There was funding for the Nanakuli turn lane project, contraflow lane from Piliokahi Avenue to Helelua Street, and traffic cameras at Piliokahi Avenue, Nanakuli Avenue, Healeakala Avenue, and Helelua Street intersections.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Alternate: Manaku offered a fourth option of a pass through Waianae Valley Road.

Representative Andria Tupola – A report was available; no representative was present.

Representative Jo Jordan – Representative Jordan referenced written reports that were available and invited the community to her 6th Legislative Town hall meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Representative Jordan shared her disappointment that DOT has prolonged the contraflow lane project and did not correctly notify the community.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Rentals: Teruya inquired of the DHHL building near Barber's Point, across Tamura's, which is rumored to have been condemned but is still renting \$200/month units.
2. Thanks: Teruya thanked Representative Jordan for the funding for summer school meals; Awana was thankful for the notification of the prolonged contraflow lane.
3. Request: Resident Kapua Kelikoa-Kamai requested a special meeting for Nanakuli and Waianae communities for DOT to properly update the community of the postponement and redesign of project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Chair Rezentes noted that the Housing Committee minutes and agenda are published as well as the Hawaiian Affairs/Parks and Recreation Committee.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Next Regular Board Meeting: The next Nanakuli-Mailii Neighborhood Board No. 36 regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., the location will be listed on the agenda.
- Cable: Chair Rezentes shared there is a proposed submarine cable landing area below Waimanalo Gulch.
- Candidates Forum: Kamai informed the community there will be a candidate's forum live telecast for Waianae Coast candidates on Saturday, July 23, 2016 and Sunday, July 24, 2016. There is also a Waianae Coast Candidates Forum Facebook page.
- Sunset on the Beach: Teruya announced that a meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2016 at the Mailii Community Park starting at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the Waianae Sunset on the Beach.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Submitted by: Amanda Ehe, Neighborhood Assistant;  
Reviewed by: Relley Araceley, Neighborhood Assistant;  
Final Review by: Cynthia Rezentes, Chair